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SENATOR JIM FANNIN TAKES OATH OF OFFICE AS NEW DISTRICT 35 STATE SENATOR

James "Jim" Fannin is the new state senator for Senate District 35. The Jonesboro Republican is one of eleven new members sworn in during an organizational session of the Senate at the State Capitol in Baton Rouge.

"I am once again humbled and honored to serve the residents of my community," said Sen. Fannin. "I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues in the legislature and with the citizens of Senate District 35. The state has some daunting challenges ahead, but I believe that through cooperation and perseverance, we will be able to address those challenges with sensible solutions."

Senator Fannin, who said his primary focus is on serving his constituents, is an independent businessman and owns a farm supply business in rural Jackson Parish. He is a graduate of Winnfield High School and Louisiana Tech University. He is also involved in a number of organizations including the Louisiana Cattlemen's Association, Jackson Parish Cattlemen's Association, Jackson Parish Chamber of Commerce and the Jackson Parish Farm Bureau.

He also has extensive legislative experience, having served 12 years in House of Representatives. He was the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. Sen. Fannin also served on the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget, Legislative Budgetary Control Council, and State Bond Commission during his time in the House.

Senator Fannin and his wife, Kitty, have two children, Matt and Marsha.